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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, JA, KS

SUBJ: WILL JAPAN REOPEN CASE OF KIM DONG WOON?

REF: TOKYO 10231

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, FONMIN MIYAZAWA TOLD DIET HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BUDGET COMMITTEE OCTOBER 29 THAT HE WOULD TRY TO HAVE KIM DONG WOON, FORMER FIRST SECRETARY OF ROK EMBASSY IN TOKYO AT TIME IM DAE JUNG ABDUCTED, TURNED OVER TO JAPANESE POLICE FOR QUESTIONING. MIYAZAW PROMISE TO "TRY TO MATERIALIZE KIM DONG WOON'S VISIT TO JAPAN," MADE IN RESPONSE TO AGRUMENT BY JSP MEMBER SUSUMU KOBAYASHI THAT GOJ SHOULD DEMAND KIM RETURN FOR QUESTIONING BECAUSE HE NO LONGER HAD DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY.

2. COMMENT: RESULTS OF INTERPELLATION (WE ARE OBTAINING FULL TEXT OF EXCHANGE WHICH WE WILL SEND AS SOON AS TRANSLATED) PLACE GOJ IN DEEP QUANDARY. KIM DONG WOON CASE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN CLOSED BY AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN ROK AND JAPANESE NEGOTIATORS AS PRELUDE TO MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE IN SEPTEMBER (REFTEL). FONOFF MUST FIGURE OUT WAY
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TO KEEP PROMISE TO DIET WITHOUT DAMAGING RELATIONS WITH

ROK. THAT WILL TAKE SOME DOING.

3. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF OCTOBER 30, FONOFF NORTHEAST
ASIA DIVDIR ENDO SAID HE UNDER PRESSURE TO DEVELOP SOLUTION
BY NIGHTFALL, BUT HAD NOT FOUND ONE YET. EXPRESSING
FULLEST CONFIDENCE IN ENDO'S RESOURCEFULNESS, EMBOFF PROMISED
TO KEEP IN TOUCH.
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